

# Nanosensor Fabrication with 3D Manufacturing Techniques

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## Project Introduction

We use 3D manufacturing techniques to fabricate sensors based on nanomaterials.

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## Anticipated Benefits

Trace gas detection for Planetary Science, Earth Science and Heliophysics.  
Also, hazardous gas detection for human exploration missions.

Army for detection of hazardous gases

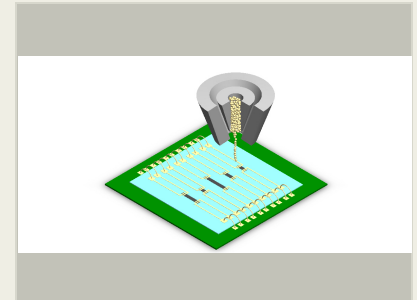
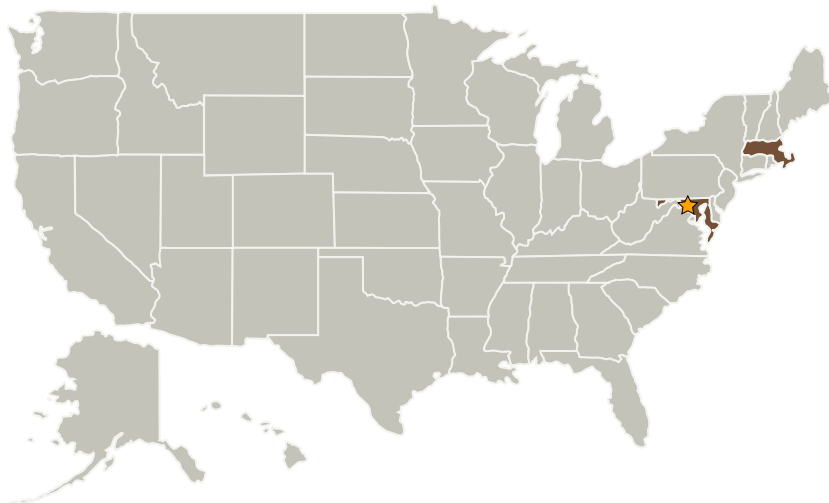
Homeland security

Airport security

Pollutant monitoring (EPA)

Hazardous gas monitoring in chemical plants

## Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



3-D printing of nanosensors

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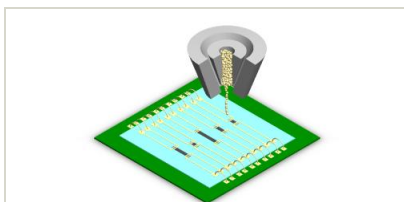


Organizations Performing Work	Role	Type	Location
★Goddard Space Flight Center(GSFC)	Lead Organization	NASA Center	Greenbelt, Maryland

Co-Funding Partners	Type	Location
Northeastern University(NEU)	Academia	Boston, Massachusetts

Primary U.S. Work Locations	
Maryland	Massachusetts

## Images

**3-D printing of nanosensors**

3-D printing of nanosensors  
(<https://techport.nasa.gov/image/4210>)

## Links

GRC-17188-1  
(<https://ntts.arc.nasa.gov/app/>)

**Project Website:**

<http://aetd.gsfc.nasa.gov>

## Organizational Responsibility

**Responsible Mission Directorate:**

Mission Support Directorate (MSD)

**Lead Center / Facility:**

Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)

**Responsible Program:**

Center Independent Research & Development: GSFC IRAD

## Project Management

**Program Manager:**

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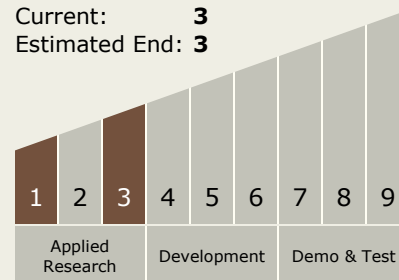
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## Technology Maturity (TRL)

Start: **1**  
Current: **3**  
Estimated End: **3**



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## Technology Areas

### Primary:

- TX08 Sensors and Instruments
  - └ TX08.3 In-Situ Instruments and Sensors
    - └ TX08.3.4 Environment Sensors

### Other/Cross-cutting:

- TX12 Materials, Structures, Mechanical Systems, and Manufacturing
  - └ TX12.2 Structures
    - └ TX12.2.5 Innovative, Multifunctional Concepts

## Target Destinations

Mars, Others Inside the Solar System